

Our Lady of Lebanon

Maronite Catholic Church

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Church Clergy

Father Pierre ElKhoury, M.L.M., Pastor Deacon John Sfire Subdeacon Thomas Podraza Subdeacon George Roumanos

Mass Schedule

Sundays: 9:30 am (English) & 11:30 am (English & Arabic)

Confession

Contact the priest or the church office to arrange your confession during the week.

Baptism

Please call the Church office for arrangements <u>one month</u> prior to the celebration of the Sacrament.

Marriage

Please allow at least <u>six months</u> of preparation time. Date arrangements are made after the initial meet with pastor before any other commitments are made.

Ministry of the Sick

If any parishioner is seriously ill at home or in a hospital, please call the pastor or the Church office to arrange for Communion, Confession or Anointing of the Sick.

Maronite Catholic Education

Catechism Classes for children are on Sundays from 10:20 am – 11:20 am.

Season of the Holy Cross Parable of the Talents OCTOBER 21, 2018



The master entrusts his various servants with different talents according to varying abilities.

The Lord has entrusted lots of things to us: money, natural talents, spiritual gifts, the saving truth of the Gospel... He expects us not just to conserve these things but to grow them.

Jesus taught about bearing much fruit. He spoke of grain that bear 30, 60, and 100 fold. Whatever labor we are involved in—economic, family, apostolic—the goal should be to develop, increase, and grow what God has given us, for His honor and glory.

This inevitably involves taking risks. It means not letting the fear of failure and ridicule stop us from pursuing success. One of the most frequently used words in the Book of Acts was the Greek word parrhesia, meaning cheerful boldness.

Faithfulness to God means having the courage to take bold initiatives, to be creative, even entrepreneurial, to express our gratitude to God for all that He has given us by making it grow.

Pray For

Please call the parish office to inform us of an illness or hospitalization of a parishioner or family member. If you would like to add or remove your name or a relative's name from our prayer list, please contact us.

We pray for those who are hospitalized or homebound, including: **George Antoon, Eva Sassine, Bobbi Sfire, Julia Parkinson.**

Mass Intentions for Next Sunday, October 28, 2018

09:30 AM

Jackie Haddad

11:30 AM
Jackie Haddad

Bible Verse

A man will reap what he sows.

Galatians 6:7

Psalm 103

Bless the LORD, O my soul; all my being, bless His holy name!

Bless the LORD, my soul; and do not forget all His gifts,

Who pardons all your sins, and heals all your ills.

Who redeems your life from the pit, and crowns you with mercy and compassion.

Who fills your days with good things, so your youth is renewed like the eagles.

Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger, abounding in mercy.

Bless the LORD, all you His angels. Bless the LORD, all you His hosts.

Bless the LORD, all His creatures. Bless the LORD, O My Soul! Alleluia!

From the Letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians 6:7-10

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man will reap what he sows. Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. Let us not grow tired of doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of the faith.

From the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew 25:14-30

"It will be as when a man who was going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one--to each according to his ability. Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two. But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money. After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' (Then) the one who had received two talents also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more. His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said, 'Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.' His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten. For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.'

LEBANON INDEPENDENCE DAY PARTYIII

Our Lady of Lebanon Church November 10, 2018



950 N. Grace St, Lombard IL 60148 Reserve Today by calling Tony Hanna at 630-853-7200 or the Church at 630-932 9640

Mass Celebration



Holy Cross: 606 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774

Sunday Readings



Psalm 103

Reading: Galatians 6:7-10
Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Mass Intentions



09:30 AM

Jackie Haddad
Anthony Abraham and the Deceased of the Shaker
and Abraham Family (By the Shaker Family)

11:30 AM

Jackie Haddad

Anthony Abraham (By the Shaker Family)

Victoria Greige (Mother of Sabah Ajami)

Lucille and Victor Wertz & Tammer and Mary Caleel –

Maria Louise Caleel and Dr. George Caleel (By The Caleel Family)

| Schedules | Sunday 9:30 am | Sunday 11:30 am |
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| Altar Servers | Stephanie Nehra, Pierre Malik Miriam Dandan, Mauricio Saad | Cassandra Chahoud, Jason Bendock Youssef, Reem and Fadi Hattar |
| Readers | Margret Budz | Gisele Mulcahey (Arabic) Bella Akouri (English) |
| Ushers | Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend | Ed Kneip, Elie Masud, Naji Abiad, John Albani |

Announcements

- * Kids Club: Friday October 26, at 7 pm.
- * Arabic Classes: Friday, October 26, at 7 pm.
- * Youth Halloween Party: Saturday, October 27. Party starts at 7 pm. Entrance \$10 per family.
- * Independence party: Saturday, Nov 10. Singer Ziad Imaz. Tickets: \$70. Contact Tony Hanna.
- * Children Got Talent: Sunday Nov 11th, at 1:00 pm in the Shaker Hall. Contact Diana Chahoud.
- * Thanksgiving Food drive: We are looking for donations of canned and non-perishable food items or food gift Cards. Deadline Sunday November 18. Thank you.
- **★ St. Jude Fashion Show:** SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18th. Contact cathy.breit@shaker.com.
- **★ Death Notice of Jackie Haddad:** Visitation Sunday, October 21st, at Gibbons Funeral Home from 2:00 pm − 8:00 pm. Funeral is on Monday, October 22nd, at Our Lady of Lebanon at 10 am. May God grant our faithful servant eternal peace.

Let Us Remember

We pray for our Beloved Ones who passed into Heaven during the Month of OCTOBER

Jackie Haddad - Isaac Shaker - Sophia Shaker - Anthony Abraham -Simon Shaker - Younaki Hanna - Mary Simon Ganem - Mary Tabet - Cathryn Drury - Joseph Samuel - Victoria Dahir - Edward Albert - Joseph P. Dumit - Laurice Allen - Glenn Ridgway - Angeline K. Skonieczny - Nagi A. Hatter - Paul Struven - Fadi Tabet - Georgette Antar - Melanie Sahyoun Khoury - Rita Assaf - Maurice Lebbos.

COLLECTION

Sunday October 14, 2018: \$2,703.00

"It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving."

Mother Theresa